Connecting Land Use Planning with Water: *tools for consideration*

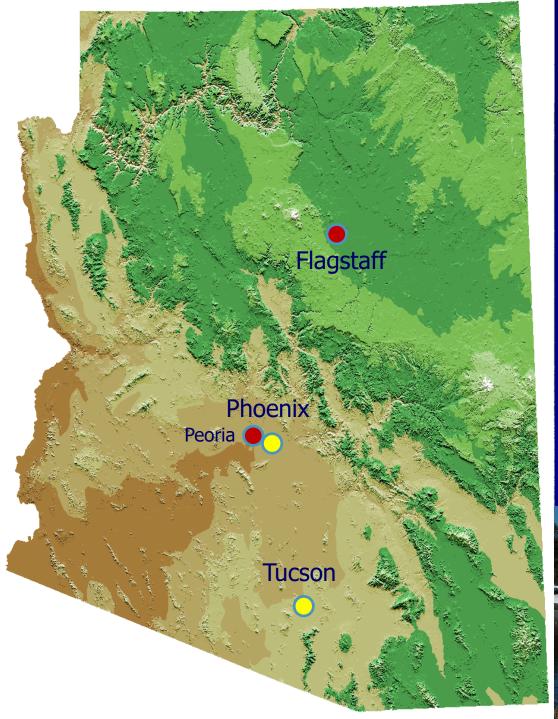




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PEORIA

Founded 1885 Population – 164,200 Elevation – 1,135 feet

Suburb of metro Phoenix

FLAGSTAFF

Founded 1882 Population – 71,500 Elevation – 7,000 feet

<u>Surrounded by:</u> Coconino National Forest

Adjacent to:

Grand Canyon N.P. / Walnut Cyn N.M. Wupatki N.M. / Sunset Crater N.M.



Land Use Planning

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Water Resource Planning



What Tools?

- Going beyond traditional Supply
 Augmentation or Demand Management
- 2 Case Studies: City's of Peoria & Flagstaff
 - Development of Council approved Water Policies
 - Land Use Management (Economic Value/gallon of water)
 - How to link growth, land use and water supplies



CASE EXAMPLE #1



 City Council asked to explore a process to allocate water for development differently than the current
 1st come: 1st serve

Recommend one or more options of what this policy could look like come back and **seek** Council's direction







What Peoria Staff Did



2005 to 2007 - Established a X-Departmental Team:

City Manager's Office, Economic Development, Attorney's Office, Finance, Community Development, Public Works & Utilities

1. Developed Principles of Sound Water Management

Purpose - memorialize high-level policies on a variety of water related topics, Document will provide framework & guidance to staff when making complex & challenging decisions that impact Peoria's water supplies

2. Literature search — have others addressed water allocation for development differently than 1st come: 1st serve? In Arizona? Elsewhere around Country?

17 Policies created divided into 4 Categories



Categories

Regulatory

<u>Planning</u>

Relationships with Outside Agencies

Water Management

Highlights

Policy 4 Water Acquisition

Policy 5 Water Reclamation

Policy 6 Land Use Management

Policy 14 Recharge & Recovery

Policy 15 Redundancy (supply & infrastructure)

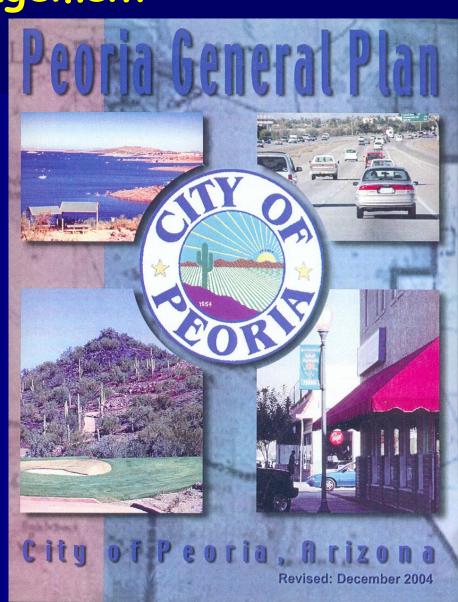


Land Use Management

Development is Guided by the Voter Approved General Plan - Arizona State law

New Water Policy

Water allocation evaluation criteria added for land use changes?



Policy Land Use Management



Changes in land use may impact the City's water resources portfolio

New Land Use

Existing Land Use

en water

Purpose: is to create a nexus between water supply and land use by developing an objective measurement tool



Economic Value per Gallon

Components (expressed in terms of \$/gallon)

- a. <u>Direct Economic Benefit</u>: annualized tax revenue (e.g., utility revenue, sales tax, etc.)
- b. <u>Indirect Economic Benefit</u>: annualized wages, job creation employee purchasing & retention potential
- c. <u>Commercial Development:</u> value of buildings, equipment & revenues
- d. Cost to the City Cots to support the proposed development (Police, Fire, O & M, etc...)
- e. Water Use: net unit of water per type of Existing v. Proposed

Land Use category







Land Use Management Policy



Economic Value/Gallon of Net Water Demand: simply

Revenues – Expenses / Water Use – Reclaimed Water Generated

$$((a+b+c)-d)/(e-r)$$



a & b: direct & indirect economic benefits

c: commercial development revenues/benefits

d: City costs & expenditures

e: water demand net unit of water (gallon)

r: reclaimed water returned for future use

How to Implement?



Amendments to the City's General Plan - not at Zoning -

Add new criteria: provide a metric to evaluate the relative comparison of economic value per gallon of water between the existing & proposed land uses

P & Z Commission & City Council will still maintain their flexibility in decision making

Benefits to the Community that are beyond economics







City of Peoria Integrated Infrastructure Master Plan Update

PRINCIPLES OF SOUND WATER MANAGEMENT –
ECONOMIC VALUE OF WATER MODEL

February 2015

CASE EXAMPLE #2



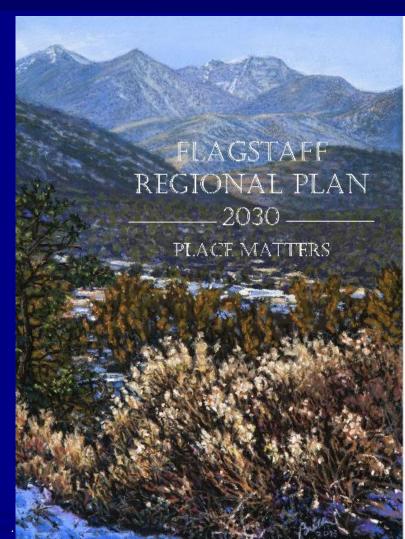
- I joined City of Flagstaff in 2007 -

Steps Flagstaff has taken to
Bridge the Gap between
Land Use Planning and Water
Supply

Updated General Plan (Regional Plan)

Regional Plan includes both a the City and a portion of the County

Voter Approved May 2014



City Specific Water Policies

UTILITIES INTEGRATED MASTER PLAN

Principles of Sound Water Management Water Policies Chapter



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Chapters

Finance

Water Resource Management

Reclaimed Water

Water Conservation

Stormwater

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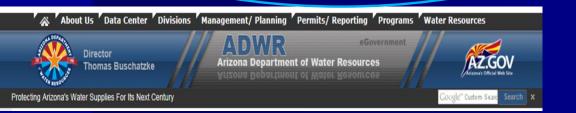
Water Supplies = Growth

Connectivity between growth & 100-year water supply

Adequate Water Supply
Program: In 2009, City Council
authorized City to apply to Arizona
Department of Water Resources

Planning & Water Services Staff communication

Tracking of Preliminary & Final Plats v. Water Supply



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April 1, 2013

Bradley Hill, R.G. City of Flagstaff 211 W. Aspen Ave. Flagstaff, AZ 86001

Re: Designation of Adequate Water Supply (DWR No. 41-900002.0002) City of Flagstaff

Dear Mr. Hill:

I am pleased to inform you that the Department of Water Resources has approved the application for a Designation of Adequate Water Supply for the City of Flagstaff (Flagstaff). We have enclosed the formal Decision and Order. The Decision and Order includes an itemization of Flagstaff's responsibilities in maintaining the Designation.

Flagstaff's status as a designated water provider demonstrates that Flagstaff is taking a long-term perspective in managing water resources. Flagstaff's commitment to long term planning represents a major contribution to the State's water management goal.

If you have any questions regarding these documents, please contact me at (602) 771-8615.

Sincerely,

Andrew J. Craddock, Manage

Amher J. Gadlock

Recharge, Assured & Adequate Water Supply Programs

AJC/rbo

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Water Resources Chapter Water History, Demand, Existing Supplies and Future Water Needs and Recommended Options



February 15, 2011 City of Flagstaff - Utilities Division





CITY OF FLAGSTAFF WATER INFRASTRUCTURE MASTER PLAN FINAL REPORT







Utilities Master Planning

Water Resources

Water System Infrastructure

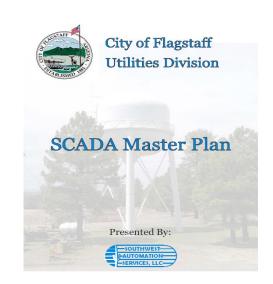
Wastewater System Infrastructure

Strategic Technology

Stormwater

Land Uses within General Plan as the base for growth projections







Flagstaff Sewer Master Plan

Prepared for City of Flagstaff Flagstaff, Arizona March 2015

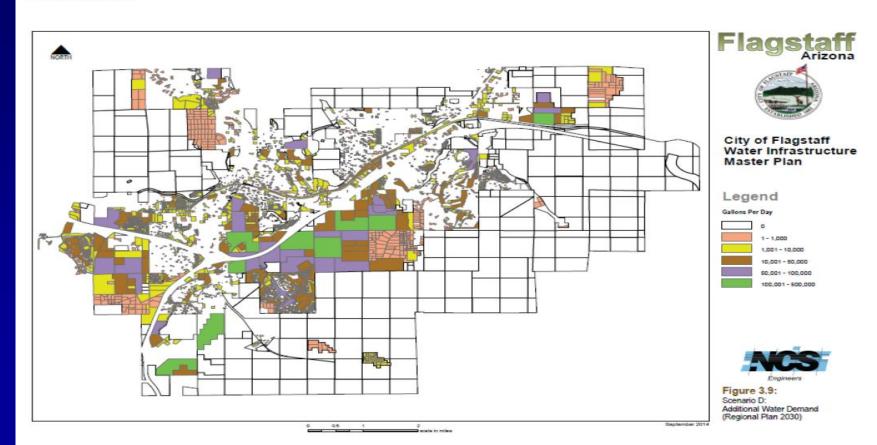


Undeveloped Lands & their identified Land Use

converted to gallons per day

City of Flagstaff Water Infrastructure Master Plan

Figure 1: Scenario D (High Density Scenario) Additional Water Demand



Water System Capacity Allocation Policy



for new development

Purpose: avoid exceeding flow capacity of pipeline & water production

Establishes a tracking & commitment of Peak Day / allocated on a 1st come: 1st served principle

Create Benchmarks when City reaches:

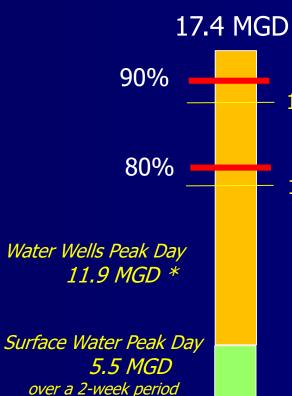
80% of committed Peak Day demands identify new infrastructure needs85% of committed Peak Day demands begin construction of infrastructure95% of committed Peak Day demands construction completed



Water Production

Peak Day Demands





Drinking water only

15.1 MGD Committed via Approved Plats

10-year Maximum Peak Day 13.5 MGD or 78% Existing

3% (0.6 MGD) of Peak Day Capacity is remaining for new plats approved by City Council

* Includes a 15% well system redundancy (pump failures)





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Create Water Policies

Land Use Management - Economic Value per Gallon
Outside an AMA

Consider linking growth, land use & water supply
Link water supply infrastructure to growth

Establishing defensible triggers





